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SUBJECT: EFFECT ON NICS CONTRACTS OF US EMBARGO ON MILITARY

AID TO TURKEY

REF: USNATO 3326

1. NICSMA DRECTOR GENERAL BUCHS HAS SENT TREQUEST TO DEFAD
LEGERE FOR CONFIRMATION THAT CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS BY US CON-
TRACCTORS UNDER NICS PROGRAM WILL NOT BE AFFECTED BY PRESENT US
EMBARGO ON DELIVERIES TO TURKEY.

TEXT FOLLOWS:

CITE NICSMA/HB(75)82, DATED 17 JUNE 75, SUBJ: NICS PROJECTS-
DELIVERY OF EQUIPMENT TO TURKEY, REF: NATO DOCUMENT AC/4-DS/977
DATED 11 JUNE 75.

1. DURING THE INFRASTRUCTURE COMMITTEE MEETING ON TUESDAY
10TH JUNE THE TURKISH AUTHORITIES REPORTED CERTAIN DIFFICULTIES
WHICH HAD ARISEN REGARDING THE DELIVERY OF US MANUFACTURED
COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT INTENDED FOR PROJECTS LOCATED IN TURKEY.
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IN RESPONSE IT WAS STATED THAT THE UNITED STATES DELEGATION WOULD
ENQUIRE INTO THE MATTER AND WOULD TAKE STEPS TO ENSURE THAT US
FIRMS WOULD NOT ENTER INTO CONTRACTUAL COMMITMENTS FOR NICS EQUIP-
MENT IF SUCH CONTRACTS WERE TO BE EFFECTEED BY THE PRESENT EMBARGO

ON SHIPMENTS FROM THE UNITED STATES TO TURKEY.

2. YOU WILL BE AWARE THAT THE NICS TARE PROGRAM IS
APPROACHING A POINT WHERE A MANUFACTURER MAY SOON BE SELECTED FROM
THOSE THREE COMPANIES WHO RETURNED A BID; OF THESE TWO ARE AMERICAN.
IT WOULD THEREFORE BE APPRECIATED IF YOUR AUTHORITIES WOULD CONFIRM,
AS A MATTER OF URGENCY, THAT SHOULD A CONTRACT BE AWARDED TO A
US-BASED COMPANY SUCH A CONTRACTOR WOULD NOT BE IMPEDED IN FULFILL-
ING ALL OF HIS CONTRCTUAL OBILGATIONS IN TURKEY BY VIRTUE OF US
POLICY RELATING TO THE PRESNT EMBARGO ON SHIPMENT OF MILITARY
EQUIPMENT TO THAT COUNTRY. (S) BUCHS.
END TEXT

2. WE PLAN NO RESPONSE IN COMMITTEE OR TO BUCHS UNTIL WE
HAVE WASHINGTON GUIDANCE ON THIS ISSUE
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